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ALMA, MICHIGAN, THURSDAY, AFTERNOON, SEPTEMBER 21, 1916.

WHOLE NUMBER 1957

EMILY CASE PASSED AWAY

She Had Resided in Alma
for Over Twenty Eight
Years.

WAS WELL KNOWN RESIDENT

Lady was a Sister to Mrs. A.
W. Wright and Resided at
Her Home Here.

Miss Emily Case, third daughter of the late William Case of Exeter, Canada, died at the residence of her sister, Mrs. A. W. Wright, 503 North State street, on Friday evening, September 15th, at the age of 72 years, six months and five days.

Services were conducted at the home on Sunday by Rev. J. Frank Jackson. Miss Elizabeth B. Case and Mr. F. W. Hooper accompanied the remains to Exeter, Canada, where she was laid to rest beside the loved ones gone before. Rev. Trump, rector of the Tri-Wett Memorial church read the beautiful burial service at the grave. Six cousins acted as pall bearers.

Miss Case had been a resident of Alma for 28 years and was beloved by a large circle of friends. Especially will she be missed in the various activities of St. John's church, where for many years she had been in close touch with every good work, the church being the object of her warmest affections. Many people here were endeared to her by the quiet manner in which she died of kindness, being always ready to render all help within her power.

WATCH YOUR BOYS

Another Bunch of Young Lads Facing
Trouble for Stealing.

Another bunch of young Alma lads are facing trouble, if the matter is not dropped, for stealing a pair of gloves. It is almost a certainty that only one of the lads stole the gloves, but a number of others were with him, about the time that the petty stealing took place, and have been rounded up.

It is probable that the boys will be given a warning as to what happens if such a thing happens again. It may be more serious than this.

There is just one way for lads to avoid such trouble, and that is to leave things alone, which do not belong to them. Every lad has a sense of right and wrong in this regard, and parents should do their best to cultivate this sense. Much petty thievery has taken place in Alma during the past year, in which young lads have been concerned, and sooner or later the officers will be taking some of these lads and making an example of them. Watch your boy, that he is coming up, as a law abiding citizen.

The Record does not care to publish the names of any lads mixed in such matters. It certainly cannot do the lads any good, to point them out as questionable characters. It is our desire to see every young lad grow up into a law-abiding young man, and to the extent we can co-operate with parents, until something happens, which we feel should be published for the good of other lads of the community.

NEED THREE NEW TEACHERS

There is every probability that the public schools will have three new teachers within a few more weeks, owing to the rapidly increasing number of students in the various grades. It is expected that by the first of the week, a new teacher will have been secured for the primary building, where the teachers are now having their hands full. In two grades in this building teachers have forty-nine youngsters, or about fifteen too many. One new teacher will also be secured for the 7th and 8th grades where the teachers are now over taxed greatly. One of the other grades in the union school building may also be divided and parts given to another teacher, if the present increase in the number of students continues.

NEW CAR SMASHED

A new Roamer car was delivered today to Francis King, and later in the day, while the car was standing in front of the offices on State street, it was driven by Harold Church, live west of Alma, banged into the mer, and broke the rear wheels, otherwise damaged the car. The car was driving down the street lams, when a couple of youngsters ped in front of his car, so that he forced to run over them or turn the new car of Mr. King's. It was the case he chose the lesser evil.

LOST TO ALMA COLLEGE

Charles Depew, for the past two years one of the mainstays of the Alma college baseball team, and cap-elect for the coming year, has returned to college this fall and be lost to the baseball team this year. Depew expects to engage M. A. C. to take forestry. He will be a serious one to the Alma next spring.

OPEN SEASON FRIDAY

High School Will Tackle the St. Louis
High School Team.

On Friday afternoon of this week the Alma high school football team will open the 1916 football season, playing the St. Louis high school team at St. Louis.

Coach Kimball has been working hard with the Orange and Black youngsters, and the team is beginning to look fairly well, and within a short time the high school Mentor should have a good machine out of his material. The game Friday is not expected to be a very hard one, and Captain Campbell is expecting his men to roll up a good score.

Coach Kimball has not given out a lineup of the game, as he is not certain yet just who will start. The probabilities are that if the locals are making good headway with the St. Louis team, that most of the men on the squad will be given a chance to see what they can do. The old men from last year's eleven are sure to start Friday, these being Captain Campbell, Howe, Kress, Sartor, Greenho, Richards, Boyd and Smith.

CONTRACT IS LET

FOR NEW CHAPEL

Place of Worship is to be Con-
structed on the East
Side Soon.

The latter part of last week land was purchased in East Alma by the Presbyterians of Alma, on the corner of Republic and Marquette streets, and a chapel will be constructed at once on that side of the river, for those who find it hard to come all the way down town to attend church.

It is expected that the work on the chapel will be started at once and that it will be completed within the next three months. When completed, regular services will be held there, instead of in the rented house on the east side, as has been the case during the past couple years. The chapel will cost in the neighborhood of \$3,000.

SELL CHAPEL SEATS

Numerous Freshmen get "Stung" at
Annual Sale.

Tuesday afternoon and evening, and again on Wednesday morning chapel seats at Alma college were on sale, upper classmen at the college having charge of the seat sale, and the freshmen of the college being investors, as has been the case every year.

This year, however, more freshies than usual were found to be green, and nearly a quarter of a hundred young lads paid good money for their seats in the chapel. This year the seats sold for more, probably because of the fact that they had had a coat of varnish and the upper classmen thought them more valuable than in past years. It is expected that some night in the near future that the older college fellows, who were in on the deal, will be having a good chicken supper at the expense of the first year men.

WITH BIG AUTO CONCERN

Bruske Director of Advertising of the
Harron Corporation.

The Harron Motors Corporation, organized in Delaware with a capitalization of \$10,000,000 has purchased the Prouty & Glass Carriage Company plant at Wayne, Michigan, in which a car designed by Mr. Harron will be manufactured. Paul H. Bruske, formerly of this city, and a son of ex-president Bruske of Alma college is the director of advertising for this concern.

The plant of the company is located on two railroads and contains sixty acres. Large additions are to be made at once, so that the company will be able to turn out 25,000 cars a year. Deliveries by the company are expected to start about March.

ARCADA FARMERS' CLUB

Mr. and Mrs. Frank Webb will entertain the Farmers' club September 29th. Ladies are requested to bring folding tables. Program follows:

Song by the Club
Address of Welcome.....Frank Webb
Prayer.....Rev. J. W. Priest
Social order of business
Recitation.....Mrs. H. Smith
Reading.....Mrs. B. F. Cline
Music.....L. Y. Irish
Reading.....Harry Wainstone
Music.....Mrs. F. C. Hainline
Music.....Mrs. Cameron
Recitation.....Dick Anderson
Reading.....Mrs. Wesley Webb
Closing song by the Club
Committee—Mrs. N. Udell, Mrs. G. Irish, Mrs. Berton, Mrs. B. F. Cline.

RECEIVE FIRST MEHLIN PIANO

The Alma Music Store have just received its first Mehlin piano, and music lovers of Alma who have not examined this exquisite instrument, should at once avail themselves of the opportunity. This particular piano is of special interest inasmuch as it was on exhibition at the recent convention of The National Association of Piano merchants held in New York City. Mehlin pianos have always been awarded the highest honors whenever brought to the test of international competitive exhibition.

Pasquale Tallarico, the eminent pianist who comes to Alma as one of the leading features of the Lyceum course uses the Mehlin piano.

ALMA COLLEGE STARTS YEAR

Michigan Presbyterian In-
stitution Opened on
Wednesday.

OUTLOOK IS VERY GOOD

Rev. G. W. Ben Gave the Open-
ing Address at Wednesday
Morning Chapel.

On Wednesday of this week Alma college opened its doors for the coming year, with an enrollment of 186, which is 15 percent in excess of that of last year, and near to the banner mark of two years ago. A number of old students have failed to return to Alma college for various reasons this year, and this unexpected cut, kept the total registration considerably below what had been looked for.

At the opening chapel service on Wednesday morning the Rev. G. W. Ben, secretary of the Board of Home Missions of the Presbyterian church in Michigan, gave the address. He chose for his subject, "A Square Deal for Number One," and brought out several points that greatly impressed the students.

The first good thought that Rev. Ben brought to the students was to be a good loser, to learn to be a good loser in everything, in athletics, in business, etc. Learn to do your best, was the second point that Rev. Ben brought to the students, and to be a gentleman, or lady. Use time well, and not "monkey" it away. Work with all possible vim and play with all possible vim.

He made a plea for the students to keep in touch with the life and events of the day, as well as to learn of the past. He asked them to read the dailies, the weeklies and good monthly papers.

In closing he asked them to find out while in college, what they should do with their life. He mentioned "Billy" Sunday, and told them how Sunday had found out what he could do best, and how he was doing it.

Alma's graduate coach, Harry Helmer was called upon for a short talk and the new Alma Mentor asked that the students learn also to be good winners, as Alma was planning on winning and not losing, but to be able also to be a good loser, if Alma should lose. Treat all visiting teams fairly, and make them glad to play Alma, was the statement that "Hal" closed with.

LOST HIS BOOZE

Stubbed Toe and Suitcase Full of
Liquid Went Flying.

Early this morning a certain young man lost a good lot of booze, just fresh from Merrill or Saginaw, and all because he had stubbed his toe.

The young man carrying the case, as if it might contain gold bricks, or something equally valuable, alighted from the Pere Marquette train from Saginaw at 8:15. He then proceeded to take one step, and bang, his toe came in contact with one of the rails or the Ann Arbor track, and the young fellow went rolling. Also did the suitcase of booze go, but it went flying, and when it struck, it struck so hard, that the numerous bottles inside, broke. Some came rising through the top of the case, and something that smelt very much like beer, started trickling over the brick platform.

No the young man didn't swear, he just picked up the suitcase and quickly got out of sight.

AFTER PAVING BIDS

The council of the city of Alma will receive paving bids for the block of pavement to be laid on Michigan avenue, up to October 3rd, at which time the contract for paving this block will be let. The specifications call for paving Michigan avenue from the crossing of the Pere Marquette across-bridge to the Republic plant, east of Bridge street.

SELL BONDS IN OCTOBER

October 17th will be the day for the sale of the bonds of the city of Alma, which were recently voted by the citizens of Alma for the extension of the sewage system of the city and for the improving of the water supply. Action on this effect has been taken by the city council.

LADIES MEET HERE

The ladies of the various Hughes alliances throughout the county met in the Wright House, parlors the first of the week to discuss matters relating to the campaign, in which their aid might be useful. About thirty ladies from Ithaca, a dozen from St. Louis and a number from Alma were present at the meeting.

Mrs. James Campbell was a Shepherd visitor on Tuesday of this week.

GET FIRST FROST

Heavy Frost Tuesday Night Through
This Section.

A heavy frost through this section of the state, Tuesday evening, was the first of the year, and as a result of it considerable damage was done to crops throughout central Michigan.

Various portions of the state felt frost during the cold snap of the fore part of the week, and the latter part of last week states throughout the middle west received frost. In Wisconsin snow fell last Saturday and in some parts of the state covered the ground. The snow fell early in the morning, and speedily melted under a warm sun.

HEALTH DEPARTMENT IS KEEPING BUSY

Health Census is Being Taken
by the Ladies of the Civic
League.

The health census which the ladies of the Civic League have been taking is progressing finely. One ward is entirely finished and the other three nearly canvassed. The department hopes to publish some interesting figures soon relative to information gained from this census. Incidentally, not only the number of houses and of householders in Alma will be known, but also a fairly accurate census of the population will be had. We hope that nothing will be done to hinder the ladies of the League in obtaining this information which is not only necessary now, but will prove to be of great use with the growth of our city.

For the past week, the health officer has been in several cities of the state inspecting the dairies and plants for the pasteurizing of milk. With this added information, the health department hopes soon to co-operate with the dairymen and the citizens of Alma in establishing a sanitary milk system which will be a credit to our city.

Many people are obtaining garbage cans and following the rules for disposing of garbage, but there are many who still dump all the refuse from the house out on the ground or in the alley, which is in violation of the ordinance. If you have a garbage can and the collector is not emptying it, call the health officer and it will be attended to at once. If you are at present burying or burning your garbage, get at a can and you will find that it will mean less labor on your part and be much more satisfactory to all concerned. It is very hard for the collector to locate your garbage, if you deposit it in a basket or barrel, so if possible use regulation garbage cans.

WIRT IS LAST NUMBER

Dr. Lincoln Wirt, a brilliant lecturer, has been secured by the Lyceum and Chautauque committee as the last number on the Alma Lyceum course this year. Wirt will appear here Feb. 15th, 1917. The balance of the course was announced through these columns last week.

It is expected now that the sale of Lyceum course tickets will start about the first week in October. Announcement of the sale of tickets will be made later.

WANT MALE STENOGRAPHERS

Greatly increased demands for male stenographers by the United States government is requiring frequent examinations, and for the present examinations are to be held in 400 of the principal cities of the country each month, except in December.

Applications for examinations should be made with the United States Civil Service Commissioner at Washington, where full particulars can be secured.

DR. GARDNER WRITES

My Dear Editor:—
From your reporter's account in last week's issue of the accident to the Powell child, it would appear that I was instrumental in resorting to consciousness to the lad. This is far from the fact. In this case credit is to be given to Powell's companion, young Chapman, who recognized that both would be lost unless he (Chapman) made his escape from the tank and give the alarm. Mr. Ford Garrett, who descended to the bottom of the tank and rescued the unconscious boy, deserves particular mention, as he unhesitatingly assumed a grave personal risk to effect the youngster's rescue. Mr. Harrie Willard, who promptly instituted and helped to the normal respiratory movements were established is entitled to a vote of thanks from the lad's parents.

I will take this opportunity to ask a favor from you. Will you kindly see to it that my name does not appear in connection with my patients. Usually this sort of thing is an attempt on the part of the reporter to compliment the physician on his skill, and as such should be appreciated by the latter. However, in the past the unscrupulous and unethical physician made such palpable efforts to get his name in print in the interests of himself, that such items are now looked upon with askance by the profession, and of course are likewise similarly catalogued by discerning and intelligent lay readers. I am

Very respectfully
Cyrus B. Gardner.

CITY IS FACING A BIG SHORTAGE

Large Number of Houses are
Needed Before Winter
Sets In.

FAMILIES MUST GET ROOMS

Growth of City Will Slow up
During Winter if Solution
is not Found.

With her rapid growth Alma is facing a condition this winter, which promises to be most severe with the common laborer and his family, unless Alma people open up their hearts and homes. The great shortage of houses in Alma is the cause of this serious condition and it can only be relieved now by the residents of this city.

Many and many a tent can be found around Alma, which are housing the families of workmen. Men who have been unable to secure houses here, and yet men who can, and are willing to pay rent. Many more men, and their families, will want to come to Alma before the fall and winter are over. Alma business is expanding at such a rapid pace that more men must come here.

Where Alma will keep these men and their families is a question, and a big one. During the summer many houses have gone up, and more are building, but far from enough to supply the demand. Progress in Alma this winter may be at a standstill unless something is done to relieve this condition, made through a shortage of houses here.

At the present time there seems to be only one solution to the difficulty. Many homes in Alma have a spare room, or a couple of them. These rooms are needed, and Alma people should realize this and place them at the disposal of those who are in need. In an ordinary time such a course would not be suggested, but it is not an ordinary time with Alma just now. Alma is booming and booming rapidly. Something must be done.

In this connection the Alma Record would be glad, if anyone and everyone having rooms, who is running a boarding house, or who can in anyway aid in securing quarters for people, would bring a list of the number of rooms that they have, that could be used, or the number of boarders that they can keep. In this way the Alma Record will be able to direct many to places, where otherwise, they would have a long search possibly before finding quarters. The Record would be glad to maintain a list of rooming and boarding houses throughout the winter, so that those in search of places can easily find them. Of the three ads for rooms to rent last week, 27 inquiries have been made.

SILAS MOODY WRITES

Akron, Ohio, Sept. 8, 1916

Dear Mr. Brown:—
I left Forest Hill September 7th, on an excursion, arrived in Toledo at 11:55 and left for Lodi, Ohio, in twenty minutes, via W. & L. E. Crops were better and showed more rain. No flocks, a few Holstein cows which seem to make up the dairies. Travel was very light on W. & L. E. The same conductor, brakeman and engineer were on that I used to know fifteen years ago.

After leaving Spencer we soon passed the farm where I was born, 77 years ago, near Pawnee station—pleasant memories of my boyhood days where five boys and two girls were reared and where we fished and swam in old Black river. Arriving at Lodi I soon found friends where I stayed over night. The heat had been intense but it rained at night and the next morning cooled the atmosphere and put new life into vegetation.

The next morning, in company with a cousin of mine, we took the B. & O. for Akron, passing through Creston, Sterling, Ritman, Warwick, Barberton and soon came to my brother's on West Market street, a fine part of the city, which is yet new, but is occupied by very costly houses and buildings, several of the proprietors being multimillionaires. Mr. Firestone of the Firestone Rubber Co., lives near here. Several allotments have been changed hands at \$100,000.00 per acre. This part of the city is moderately rolling but the soil is fine. West Market street was repaved last year and ten autos all in sight at once going in same direction.

In my next letter will describe the great Barberton farm.

Silas Moody.

APPROVES OF GROUND

State Sanitary Engineer Rich, who was recently in Alma inspecting the grounds, which the city officials had picked out as the suitable spot for the sinking of wells for the new water supply, voted recently by the citizens of Alma, has passed favorably on the ground selected.

This ground is the plat on the west bank of Pine river, near the Alma Grain & Lumber company's plant. In a telegram to Mayor McKinney, after inspecting the ground, Rich said that the ground was all right, if the test well brought suitable results.

P. M. CHANGES TRAINS

Sunday Morning Trains Have Been
Taken Off—Other Changes.

At midnight Saturday the Pere Marquette railroad will start on its winter schedule and several changes have been made for the Grand Rapids-Saginaw division of the road, which are of great importance to Alma people, as in all cases the trains that are changed will leave Alma earlier than during the summer.

The Sunday morning trains have been taken off again for the winter. Train No. 34 will leave Grand Rapids and Saginaw at 1:10 p. m. instead of 1:20 as has been the case in the past. The early morning train will leave Bay City at 5:35 a. m. instead of 6:00 a. m. These changes should be carefully noted by Alma people, who will be using these trains in the future. For changes other than on the local division inquiries should be made at the local depot, where any information may be obtained.

FOOTBALL PRACTICE

HAS BEEN STARTED

Alma College has the Promise of
a Team of Those Big
Husky Fellows.

On Monday of this week the candidates for the Alma college football team donned their suits for the first time, and a look at the bunch brought back the days of 1912, when Alma's most famous football team was ripping up things through the state.

Coach Harry Helmer has a bunch out that contains a bunch of big fellows, and it includes eleven men from last year's team, Captain Johnston, French, Fitch, Miller, N. Smith, C. Robinson, Foote, McAuley, Richards, Robert and Spooner.

Added to this list is a bunch of new material that looks fine. From among this number can be picked five likely looking men now. Hoolihan, the ex-Central Normal star, is the best prospect among these. Hoolihan has a "reputation," and is out to make it.

On Thursday, September 14th, St. John's Guild met in the parish house after the summer vacation. In the afternoon the members told of the methods pursued during the summer to earn money for Guild purposes. The variety was marked. The palm was unanimously awarded to Mrs. Harry Rockwell for her account, which in a short time, she put into a poem, which is here appended:

How I Earned A Dollar
It was only just last Sunday,
When the world was all at rest,
That I took my trolly hook and line
And the boat we called "The Best."

Mr. Rockwell took the paddles
In the center of the boat,
While I in the stern was seated
And the thing would hardly float.

The wind was blowing furiously
The sun was beating down,
But I a fish was going to have
To carry back to town.

We trolled for nearly an hour,
Without even getting a strike,
But I still kept my courage
That I was sure to get a pike.

When all at once I felt a jerk
And I nearly lost my head,
And I turned to Mr. Rockwell
And this is what I said.

I have got one Oh, I've got one!
He's a big one I am sure.
I know by the way he jerks the line
He'll weigh five pounds or more.

I hardly knew just what to do,
And my husband took the line
And he reeled for fully a minute
When I made up my mind.

That I must land the monster
If a dollar I must earn,
To swell the fund of the Ladies' Guild
When I arrived at home.

So I took the line from Harry's hand
While he took off his coat,
And I reeled for an other minute
Before landing him in the boat.

We quit our fishing for that day
And started home that night
And I kept wondering all the way
If I had done quite right.

I knew a dollar must be earned
If 'twas on the Sabbath day
I also knew no other one
For my sins would have to pay.

So I cooked that fish for dinner
And when Dick and Glen came home
I said to them quite saucily
With a look both cold and stern

You can not have your dinner
This day I'll have you know
Unless you give me a dollar
And they both came across with the dough.

After the meeting supper was served to which the husbands, and immediate friends were invited. The entire afternoon was spent in a most pleasing time.

FOR SALE

Overland, model 83-B. We have received from another agency one car of this model, and can now supply just one of the recent enquiries we have had for this model. We believe this is the last new 83-B in this vicinity.

Johnson's Overland Agency.

AUCTION SALES

The Auction Sale season is here again and those anticipating holding a sale should call on the Record. The Record has four times the circulation of any paper published in this section of the county. See the advantage in reaching the people. The Record is recognized as the auction sale advertising medium of this section. People will look there for your sales.

If you want a Record representative to help you make out your list, arrange for your auctioneer and clerk, and help attend to other details that will make your sale a success, call at The Record office or on either phone. We will make your task easy.

FORMER ALMA LADY IS DEAD

Mrs. Robert Von Thurn Died
in Duluth Last Week
Thursday.

ATTENDED ALMA COLLEGE

Was a Daughter of Rev. and Mrs.
William L. Hood of Rapid
City, S. D.

Mrs. Robert VonThurn, the wife of Rev. VonThurn, both former Alma residents, passed away last week Thursday at Duluth, Minn., following a long illness.

Florence Hood was born in Saginaw, June 7th, 1890, the daughter of Rev. William L. and Hester A. Hood. In 1907 she graduated from the West Side high school in that city and later in the year moved to Alma with her parents. In the fall of 1907 she entered Alma college and graduated in 1911. Following her graduation she taught in the high schools of St. Charles and Holland, Michigan. She was married August 27, 1914 to Rev. Robert VonThurn at Rapid City, South Dakota. Rev. and Mrs. VonThurn made their home in Coleraine, Minn.

Following her death last week Thursday, the body was brought to Alma arriving here Saturday evening. The funeral was held Monday afternoon from the VonThurn home east of Alma. Rev. William H. Mason officiating, and interment was made in Riverside cemetery.

Mrs. VonThurn is survived by her husband, Rev. VonThurn of Coleraine, Minn.; her parents, Rev. and Mrs. W. L. Hood, two brothers, Bristow and Stanley and one sister, Marion, all of Rapid City, South Dakota.

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